Funds to NGOs for rural development in Andhra Pradesh

2337. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the funds given by Government to various NGOs in the rural development sector in Andhra Pradesh in 2002-2003, 2003-04;

(b) the names of all such NGOs and the funds received by them in the above two years,

(c) whether it is a fact that Government has monitored such use; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House

Assistance to BPL families of Chhattisgarh

†2338 SHRI MOTI LAL VORA. Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state

(a) the number of families in the State of Chhattisgarh living below poverty line,

(b) the family-wise amount provided by Government during the last three years and during the current financial year;

(c) the reasons for decreasing number of beneficiaries each year,

(d) the number of cases pending for want of suitable amount; and

(e) by when required amount would be provided to the State of Chhattisgarh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) to (e) As per the official estimates of the poverty ratio for 1999-2000, 37.06% of the rural population was living below the poverty line in Madhya Pradesh, which included the present State of Chhattisgarh also. The family-wise amount is not provided by the Government. The funds under rural development

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